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Campus squirrel chosen as new LVC president

J.R. WHOPPER '14
STAFF WRITER

The Presidential Search Committee has chosen the successor to President Stephen C. MacDonald. After a yearlong search, the grueling process has come to an end. The head of the committee decided to take an unusual approach to the search, announcing Michael Q. Squirrelton, the official campus squirrel, as President of the college.

"We felt Squirrelton could provide a nutty outlook on the college and its students," said the Head of the Presidential Search Committee.

Not only is the faculty in full support of the committee's decision, but the students as well.

"I look forward to the changes

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J.R. Whopper

PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED President Michael Squirrelton will begin his term this coming fall semester. Squirrelton has previously held the position of official campus squirrel for the past eight years giving him the necessary qualifications for presidency. He looks forward to a successful term.

Tuition increase to fund Mund deconstruction

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It is getting towards the end of the semester, and many students have already received letters from the administration stating why and how far the tuition will increase for next semester. But what these letters failed to mention, as the decision was made after the letters were sent out, is that while some of the tuition increase will be devoted to building the Astroturf field and other projects around campus a good size portion of

that money will be contributed to the deconstruction of Mund. So now that the campus has finally arrived at the glorious completion of the year and a half, almost two year, long project that was Mund College Center it will also see the deconstruction of that project within that same year.

Tuition fees, which jumped significantly in years past in order to fund the 13.3 billion dollar project will again take a turn for the expensive in the 2012-2013 school year in order to fund the deconstruction of the project.

"It was just so expensive to complete, and it was such a waste of space," says Greg Krikorian, Vice President for Student Affairs at Lebanon Valley College, "I mean there are whole rooms in the basement of Mund that are not even being used anymore." Krikorian and other administrators are putting into motion plans to return the college center to its original state. "If it ain't broke don't fix it, you know? I'm not entirely sure why we started on this whole mess," states Krikorian.

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Trash can marauder apprehended

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Over the weekend, the infamous perpetrator causing trash cans to be knocked over on Saturday nights across campus was apprehended by public safety.

The individual has caused significant monetary damage through their sporadic weekend actions, as well as ruined the campus scenery. They have caused headaches for grounds crew members in cleaning up the mess as well. The apprehension has come to much relief to students and faculty alike.

When speaking to an admission's member it was said, "The individual has caused significant issues in our tour process. We have been afraid to give Sunday tours for almost the whole year since we could not risk showing the campus looking like a junk yard. We would either have to totally alter the tour routes causing the prospective students to miss much of the campus, or risk the student thinking LVC is Rutgers-Camden in disguise. It has caused issues for people who wished to visit campus but could only do so on Sundays."

Public Safety finally caught the culprit through a successful stakeout of the residential area over the weekend.

"We finally realized that the student does this practically every weekend, so if we just

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PRESIDENT: Squirrelton to take office beginning of new semester

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that President Squirrelton will bring to the college,” said sophomore Eliott Bonds. “I think having a squirrel as President will be an interesting experience for both the students and faculty.”

Squirrelton hopes to bring many changes to the campus. One of the biggest changes to the campus will be improving the health of the students by conducting annual vaccinations for rabies and tests for nut allergies. Any student found to be allergic to nuts must volunteer as test subjects in the biology department to help find a cure.

Some other minor changes that Squirrelton hopes to introduce to the college are the installation of nut dispensers around campus, as well as a playground for other campus squirrels in the Peace Garden.

Another change to be made to the campus will include the construction of crosswalks across Sheridan Ave. for other campus creatures. Squirrelton’s biggest change to the campus will be converting the gold lot into a petting zoo.

Squirrelton also hopes to make changes to the college’s curriculum. Squirrelton looks

forward to a new Veterinarian concentration within the Biology department. He has also proposed a new first year seminar class based on earth studies and promoting green initiatives. Green Man and Enviro-Boy are strong supporters of President Squirrelton.

“My mission as President of the college will be to strengthen the relationship between the students on campus and the environment that surrounds them,” said President Michael Q. Squirrelton.

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ValleyFest act replaced with Selena Gomez

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The rumors are true; our ValleyFest entertainment has been upgraded. After Secondhand Serenade somehow got on everyone’s last nerves before March even ended, the ValleyFest committee decided to take action. Reviewing the options that they began with, they realized that selecting a brand new act seemed to be the only intelligent path. Instead of fairly talented soloist who can actually play his own instruments and sing rather well, LVC has hired the one and only Selena Gomez to be the headliner at the 2012 ValleyFest Celebration!

I know what you’re thinking: how could little Lebanon Valley College possibly afford to house such a prestigious vocalist in the music industry? Believe it or not, young Selena agreed to perform for a discounted price of only \$500k, so our yearly tuition will only go up about one or two thousand dollars each. Who could have guessed that such an artist would be so humble!

It doesn’t get much better than this, my fellow Annvillians! But wait, there’s more! I’ve had the intense pleasure of holding an exclusive interview with Miss Gomez about her plans for ValleyFest and her future career. Don’t bother sitting down because you’ll just be

on the edge of your seat as you read her graceful eloquence and her enthusiastic insight to the music business:

LaVie: Thank you so much for being here today! How was the ride up to little Annville, PA?

Gomez: Uhm. It was good and stuff! The cows were like so cute!

L: Way to be relevant! Are you excited about playing ValleyFest?

G: Omg, I’m so excited. It’s kinda awesome.

L: Ah. Riveting. Well, where do you see yourself going with your music?

G: Well I’m a total dork, I go to the mall all the time, and I’m still a regular teenager so it’s like, I still get to like, be that, but I get to like, record and stuff with music, so I’m still like a regular teenager, but like, I get to do really cool things and have like really cool experiences.

L: Right, so where do you see yourself going with your music?

G: I don’t know! I just want to have fun cause girls just want to have fun and like, I’m still a teenager so I’m gonna write my own songs and have my own videos and just have fun!

L: Alright. Well how do

you feel about bumping Secondhand Serenade off the ValleyFest program?

G: Who?

L: Ok, well it was great having you here. I’m sure all the students at LVC can’t wait to hear you perform for us in a few weeks.

G: Omg thanks! That’s so funny!

L: Ok. Take care.

Wow. What a visionary; a genius. How did great bands like Nirvana and Green Day ever make it in the industry without her revolutionary insight?

Well, we hope everyone is pleased with the new act for ValleyFest. Be sure to attend Selena Gomez LVC debut, she has certainly traveled so far. ValleyFest is April 20-21, so mark your calendar now, and be sure to get tickets as soon as possible; they WILL sell out. If you want more information about Selena Gomez go to selenagomez.com and for more information about this year’s ValleyFest, go to lvc.edu/valleyfest. This will be a landmark year for Lebanon Valley College, so be sure to invite your friends and family.

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CAMPUS
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All information courtesy of the Wizard of Oz

3-22-12 | Blair
Vandalism

As a result of a drunken brawl, several instruments in Blair were destroyed over the weekend. Unfortunately, LVC will not be able to cover the damages, and the culprits have not yet been identified.

3-25-12 | Funkhouser
Incident

Students are advised not to drink out of the water fountains in Funkhouser. Traces of urine have been found within the system. Experts are investigating the issue, but the exact cause is unknown. Everything should be cleared up within a week.

3-25-12 | Dellinger
Incident

Minor explosion in student apartment due to improper use of toaster. It is believed that the student tried to bake a potato using the toaster.

3-17-12 | Social Quad
Emergency Assistance

Student mauled by rabid pack of squirrels. Student flown to Hershey Medical Center with minor injuries.

Please report any suspicious activity to Public Safety at x6111.

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MUND: Renovations retooled

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Students, however, are up in arms about these new developments. “I thought tuition was expensive last year,” complains one anonymous student, “but \$34,470 is ridiculous! Why should we have to pay for the fickleness of the administration?”

Commuter students are even more outraged by the prospect of the tuition increase. “We are the ones that really suffered during this whole process. Without the college center there really are very few places we can go. Not

to mention the little hovel they like to call a commuter lounge in the basement of Mund hasn’t gotten any better. It is still the same dank, smelly, ill-furnished room that it has always been and yet we still have to pay for these changes?” said one angry commuter student.

It seems people here are of two minds about this topic of change on campus, and if they don’t start communicating soon, much more than just the deconstruction of a building may be taking place here.

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NEWS

MARAUDER: Saturday night campus can caper canned

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simply stakeout at night around a couple of trash cans, we could catch them in one operation,” a public safety officer commented. The officer also stated their plan was called ‘Operation Nighthawk.’

However, the name of the perpetrator of the trash can incidents will not be given out by the administration, over fear that significant harm might come to the person. This is due to retaliatory actions of campus members who may wish to turn the person into a weekend trash can by “knocking them over and spilling their contents across the pavement.”

Exclusive access to interview the individual was given to the paper under conditions of anonymity.

When asked why the person did it, the individual’s response was, “I have massive personality issues. I have major ego problems and think very little of myself. That’s why I knock over trash cans, to make myself

feel better,” he said. “I get drunk on weekends to drown out my pitiful sorrows and then to impress my friends and to show off how strong I am to the opposite sex, I use my muscles to knock over trash cans.”

When asked whether the person considers the issues that are caused by his actions, the surprisingly open responses continued with, “Yeah, sometimes. But it just seems cooler since I consider it awesome since most of the campus didn’t know who it was,” he said. “Also, I liked how hard it made me seem to my friends since I was being such a problem and people couldn’t do anything about it. What can I say; I’m just a kid from the suburbs trying to show how tough I am to my friends. Sometimes I dream at night and pretend I grew up in Compton or Inglewood in the 80’s. I just wasn’t hugged enough as a child I guess.”

After the administration was asked about what punishment was being given

out, “The individual is being suspended for a few weeks, fined \$2,500, and being made to do community service hours during the suspension if remittance is wished by the student.”

“We didn’t want to expel the individual, since we thought the person was obviously not emotionally stable and thought if expulsion occurred the person’s reaction could not be predicated,” said the administrator.

When asked where the community service would occur and how long it would be in duration, the administration representative informed, “200 hours will be expected at minimum to be readmitted to campus. The hours will be done in inner city Camden. We figured it would show to the ‘little badass’ just how hard the person really is.”

Score 1 for the administration, and 0 for the attention seeking college student.

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Strange Bedfellows

How politics is affecting contraception and ultrasounds

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On March 20, Idaho’s Republican dominated senate voted 23 to 12 in favor of a bill “requiring women to undergo a fetal ultrasound before terminating a pregnancy,” according to a news briefing by the Associated Press.

This bill would also require Idaho’s Department of Health and Welfare “to make available a list of places in Idaho, typically anti-abortion health care centers, where those considering an abortion could get a free ultrasound” and “submit to a second ultrasound” if they were opting for abortion.

Idaho has since joined a number of states that have passed or supported transvaginal ultrasounds as a means of reducing unwanted pregnancies and, some say, abortions.

In Texas, Governor Rick Perry supported a bill that would require a woman seeking an abortion to have an ultrasound probe inserted in her vagina, observe the fetus and listen to its heartbeat, sign an agreement with the doctor acknowledging that she understood the doctor’s lecture on the fetus, and then return the next day to have her abortion. This bill has since been enacted.

Meanwhile, in Virginia, Governor Bob McDowell dropped his support for a bill that would define personhood at conception and require women seeking an abortion to undergo “a more physically invasive transvaginal ultrasound in the cases of early pregnancy.” Virginia’s senators have since changed the personhood act, as it’s called, so that it would “require an external abdominal ultrasound instead of the more invasive transvaginal procedure” and “women would be free to decline” the doctor’s suggestion for the more invasive method. However, debates on the personhood act have been suspended for at least a year.

Foster Friess, a millionaire who contributes to the Red, White, and Blue Fund supporting Rick Santorum’s candidacy, has since offered a simpler method of contraception that would cost much less than the ultrasound procedures mentioned above.

“Back in my days, they used Bayer aspirin for contraceptives. The gals put it between their knees and it wasn’t that costly,” Friess said on MSNBC’s *Andrea Mitchell Reports* back in February.

Friess’s comment shocked not only Andrea Mitchell but a number of LVC students as well.

“Who does he think he is, telling us what we can do with our bodies?” said a student who asked to remain anonymous. “What was he, like 70? Next he’s going to tell us that he used to walk 7 miles through the snow to get school, and it was uphill both ways!” Friess’s extensive contraceptive plan will probably not be enacted soon, as he has not yet told reporters what pills men should be putting between their legs.

Rick Santorum has also stated that he is “not a believer in birth control.” “It’s [Contraception’s] not okay because it’s a license to do things in the sexual realm that is counter to how things are supposed to be. They’re supposed to be for purposes that are, yes, conjugal,... but also procreative,” Santorum said in a recent interview. Santorum has previously expressed similar views about contraception.

During a 2006 interview, he “went on to say that it’s not just a moral sense, but a public policy issue, too, indicating the government has a role in contraception policy.”

Analysts believe that Rick Santorum has interpreted the old truism, “Politics makes strange bedfellows,” to mean, “The government shouldn’t interfere in any part of our lives except for our beds.”

That may be a policy none of us would want to back.

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Features

LVC ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Schroeder Freude '50, was a music major and accomplished pianist at LVC. After spending some time at Juilliard, he went on a nationwide concert tour that was sold out in every city it stopped except Cleveland. Soon after, however, he fell upon hard times. Like his hero, Beethoven, he experienced severe hearing loss in both ears, much to the chagrin of his wife, with whom he recently divorced.

1. Could you describe how your life has changed after graduating from LVC?

I toured the country performing with several orchestras, but developed chronic carpal tunnel after a few months. I was unable to play for about a year and this made me rather blue. I went to a psychologist to discuss my problems and ended up marrying her. For her it was a conflict of interest; for me it was a lack of foresight. I should have just talked to Chuck."

2. Who is your current employer and how did your major prepare you for your specific job?

"Currently, I am unemployed. I gave most of my money to my alma mater – I think they used those funds to build Mund. My education certainly helped me with my time performing; hopefully, I'll be back out there soon."

3. What experience(s) do you remember most from your college days?

"I remember spending long hours practicing, my time in sculpting class, and playing catcher for the baseball team."

4. If you had one regret (something you did or didn't do) from your LVC experience, what would that be?

"I wish I would have listened to my professors more; however, they all sounded the same to me."

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Fabio Jones/LA VIE

WHERE DID IT GO? This box, labeled "Police Box," appeared on Sunday, March 25 in front of North College. Students returning from choir tour noticed the foreign object and immediately contacted Public Safety, but when they returned, the box was gone. Students are left to wonder where it came from and where it went.

Overheard in the La Vie Office:

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Aside from the fact that the background image on both of our Dell computers is a picture of Steve Jobs, the first thing that people notice when they walk into our office is the infamous quote wall.

"When the best headline you can come up with at 12:46 AM for a story about a flood is 'It was a dark and stormy night,' it's time to go to bed."
-Rosemary

"I'm okay with some people hating me."
-Justin

"Caption: A group of protestors stand outside of a building."
-Russell

"What are we going to do with the white space on page two?"
-Rosemary
"Well, Steve Jobs just died, let's put his picture there."
-Justin

On empathy story: "Maybe the irony is that we don't care enough to read it."
-Rosemary

"Bad Headline: Art class supports genocide."
-Justin

"I know a lot of fictional people."
-Amy

"Come to the meeting every week... FOOLS."
-Roger

"We ran that story last week."
-Rosemary
"We were selfish!"
-Justin

"Roger made a James Bond reference in his story, so he wins the awesome award for the week."
-Rosemary

"If I'm dead on the floor when you come back, I actually read the story."
-Justin

"Just so you know, you just changed the color scheme of a page to match the beer cups in the movie poster on A&E."
-Rosemary

(*singing*): "Article text, article text! Where did all of this article text come from?"
-Russell

Several beloved professors announce retirement plans

NICK ALODEAN '15
LA VIE STAFF WRITER

It turns out that rumors of a mass retiring of professors are true. Dr. Mecham, Music department chair, ; Dr. Rudd, Business department chair,; Dr. Grieve-Carlson, English professor; and Dr. Samuel, Digital Communications professor have all announced their retirement to La Vie.

Dr. Mecham has decided to return to New Zealand, where he plans to help tend their 40 million sheep. "I was lucky enough to lead the LVC semester-abroad program to the University of Waikato in Hamilton NZ in 2004," said Mecham. "It's time to go back to that island paradise, joining former chemistry department chair, Dick

Cornelius, in Welcome Bay, just outside of Tauranga. Kia ora." Despite his love for LVC, he can no longer hold himself back from his even larger love for New Zealand.

Dr. Rudd's reasons for retirement are more political than personal, choosing to resurrect a third party movement for the Presidency. "It has come time for me to finally accomplish my dream of becoming the Straight Talking American Government Party (the STAG party) nominee for the next presidential election."

This is the same STAG party that comedian Pat Paulson from the Smother's Brothers, the Monkees television show and others. Paulson ran for President in 1968, 1972, 1976 and other occasions.

Dr. Grieve-Carlson is retiring to pursue Fantasy Baseball full-time. "I've found that by committing myself to baseball statistics, I can regularly finish in the money in most fantasy baseball leagues, and I believe that by doing Fantasy Baseball full-time I'll actually earn quite a bit more money than I earn teaching English at LVC, so I'll be better able to pay for the college educations for my three children. And what would be more enjoyable than sitting down every morning with a pot of coffee and simply reading baseball boxscores?" He looks forward to his pending greatness in the Fantasy Baseball field and hopes to make his family proud. "That's what makes this country great: that on the basis of a knowledge of baseball boxscores,

a man or woman can rise above the level of economic success attained by his or her parents and create an enduring legacy of greatness."

Dr. Samuel is also retiring to finally achieve a personal dream. After years of trying, he and his band the "3-2-5's" have finally landed a record deal and are going to begin touring soon. "I have enjoyed my time at LVC, but the stage is finally calling my name. I hope to be a good model for LVC students in showing that anybody can accomplish their dreams no matter what they are," said Samuel.

Good luck to each of you and don't forget your time at LVC. You will surely be missed in the 2012-2013 year and even after that.

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Arts & Entertainment

“Tebowmania” hits Broadway this fall, show sold out

PEP T. O'BISMOL '13
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In director Rex Ryan's new project, “Tebowmania, Part Deux: Timothy Converts New Jersey”, many of the actors seem to be unaware of much of the script – and of any form of decent acting. The premise seems simple: a young, god-fearing quarterback leaves Colorado for New Jersey after being supplanted by a football demi-god. Along the way, he must deal with the spotlight of New York and the absence of a decent running game. His coach also swears a lot – of which he notably never partakes – to which he is forced to reply: “I've had so much respect for Coach Ryan. ... You're not going to have the cleanest language in a locker room, so I'm not too worried about that.”

The lead, Tim Tebow (who is played by himself), is simply a good guy. He is so annoyingly decent that even the guy he replaces once arriving in the Big Apple, Drew Stanton, can't even seem to hate him. (Stanton is later traded to Cleveland for cash considerations.)

Mark Sanchez, the incumbent starter, while convincing in his scenes where he looks over his shoulder – and later when he looks moody while sitting on the bench – fails to capture the audience's attention while attempting to actually play the position. Instead, his performance seems laughable, with his only credible actions coming during (ironically) play-action or while handing the ball off.

Tebow's motions could also be described as “truncated” or “robotic” as the production begins. As the show develops, however, he becomes the saving grace of the otherwise depressing play.

The final act is flush with dramatic scenes that highlight the passer-proselyte's progression as both a quarterback and city hero.

In one scene, Tebow faces the man who drafted him, Josh McDaniels, when the Jets meet the rival Patriots in a game of heated, disputable calls and clutch, well-lighted plays.

Tebow is prosaic and tepid until the fourth act; the lighting is amplified at this point, and that's

when the quarterback steps to center stage.

“I'm just trying to help the team win,” Tebow says.

By the third act (the third quarter of the Jets season-opener), Sanchez is thoroughly nonplussed, both by the playbook and the crowd's continued chants of “we want Tebow.” In one scene, he dissolves into believable tears as the curtain closes and the lights dim.

Despite all this, many of the players reneged on reading the playbook. In act one, cornerback Antonio Cromartie tweets, “Y bring Tebow in when we need to bring in more Weapons for @Mark_Sanchez let's build the team around him. We already signed to 3 year ext.”

Cromartie, who – in the play – fathers “seven children by six women in five states,” remains critical of the Tebow throughout the sixteen-act performance.

However, rarely does he read his lines well, often erroneously pluralizing the number of wins the Jets have during the season and forgetting several of his children's names.

More familial relations and poor acting pervade the play, especially in the scene where John Elway, Tebow's former boss, speaks about the separation of the Church of Tebow from the State of Colorado.

“You hate some decisions you have to make in football. But that doesn't prevent you from making them,” Elway says, referring to replacing Tebow with the almost-Titan Peyton Manning. “You do what's best for your team. But that doesn't take away the heartache. You're dealing with human beings. It hurts.”

No audience would believe that.

Elway, however, continues the break-up speech with stale vigor: “Tim Tebow is a great kid. If I want someone to marry my daughter, it would be him.”

“Tebowmania, Part Deux” does experience some highs, however – even after leaving the Mile-High City. Tebow's fervent fan base is – literally – religious. The group of actors who portray the “Tebowites” is the one team that actually earns their paychecks (Ironically, none of those actors were paid. In fact,

they paid to be in the play) giving emphatic, earnest performances that are Tony- or at least player-of-the-week-worthy.

Kaycee Robertson plays a “Lutheran student ministry director from Minneapolis” who serenades the quarterback via You Tube in her self-produced song, “Marry Me, Tim Tebow.” Two of her eight roommates (played by Jennifer Lind and Jill Miller) sing backup as Robertson croons, “I glanced, and saw that you don't have a wedding ring.” Later, she announces her undying – and for most of the play, unrequited – love for Tebow stating, “he's easy on the eyes.”

In another scene of “Tebow-love,” written by Mark Long, lifelong Tebow-fan Mike Beattie is queried by his wife about the change in teams. Upon hearing the news that Tim is traded to New York, Beattie's wife asks, “Do we have to start rooting for the Jets?”

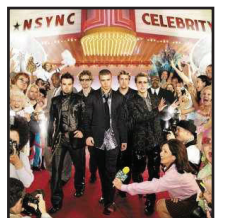
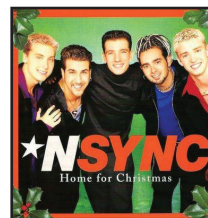
“I guess so,” responds Beattie.

Shows run throughout the fall and winter. Jeremy Lin makes a guest performance on Sept. 30.

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Boy band reunites for tour



SQUEEGEE BECKENHEIM '15
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Let's be honest: we all miss *NSYNC. There's no point trying to deny such a blatantly obvious guilty pleasure. Even if it's only for nostalgic reasons, whenever “Bye Bye Bye” blasts out of the speakers, it's impossible to fight the urge to dance. Fortunately, all those sleepless nights spent longing for just one more single will no longer be. After ten years of silence, *NSYNC has finally announced a reunion tour, which will be launched at LVC's ValleyFest.

The decade-long hiatus left die-hard fans stumbling through life with no reason left to live. Music lost all meaning without heart throbs like Justin Timberlake and

Lance Bass. Once Bass confirmed rumors that the group had officially disbanded in 2007, it seemed that all hope was lost. However, in mid-February, *NSYNC revealed that they were planning a reunion tour for this spring. When the ValleyFest committee heard the news, they immediately contacted the band's manager, even though it seemed like a long shot. As it turns out, an anonymous member of the committee is related to Joey Fatone.

Beginning the reunion tour at LVC seemed like a gradual way for *NSYNC to assimilate back into the music industry. Of course, ValleyFest will draw a huge crowd this year because *NSYNC was so popular during the late '90s to early '00s. According to their manager, the band plans to perform all

of their hits like “Tearing Up My Heart,” “It's Gonna Be Me,” and “This I Promise You.” Aside from the chart-topping singles, the group is working on some new songs that they intend to perform for the first time at ValleyFest.

When asked how she feels about the performance, freshman Jennie Upton remarked, “I'm pretty excited about it. *NSYNC was one of my favorite bands when I was a kid.” Most LVC students, especially the girls, feel the same way because *NSYNC was such a big part of their childhood.

Frosted tips and boy bands may be out of style, but that doesn't mean *NSYNC can't make a full recovery as a respected facet of today's music industry.

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"I don't even know how to take a break, because I go crazy. I just sit in a room and I don't know what to do. I went to the Metropolitan Museum and just sat there. But they didn't take any pictures of that, which sucks, because that would have been more interesting than pictures of me coming out of a club."



"I wanted to do what Marilyn Monroe did (during the Korean War), when she went and just set up a stage and did a concert for the troops all by herself. It's so amazing seeing that one woman just going somewhere, this beautiful sex kitten, who's basically a pinup, which is what I've always aspired to be."



"Marriage is a big deal, but who's to say I'm not going to pull a 'Vegas' and get married just to get married and see what it's like for a minute?"



"I want to go to Egypt and Japan and open orphanages--a chain of them."

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Opinionated:
Students, staff combat "grade creep"

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For those students with scholarships and athletics on their minds, grades are extremely important. In order to be able to participate they must keep their grades up and so the fact that Lebanon Valley College's student grades are higher than average is a positive thing. However, President MacDonald and other administrators have raised concerns that perhaps the reason student grades are so high is that test questions are too easy or that professors are too easily giving out higher grades and extra credit and the negative effects that can have. Their fear is that as "grade creep" continues to grow, more and more under-qualified students

will graduate and be unable to find a job, or worse yet, be unable to perform in their chosen field.

Professor John Gible, an Adjunct Instructor of Sociology, in response to this dilemma, has developed as system in which grades will be assigned in order to better reflect the real world. In a perfect world, the grades would follow a perfect Bell Curve with ten percent achieving a grade of F, twenty percent achieving a grade of D, forty percent C, twenty percent B and ten percent A. However, with the present system forty-five percent of grades fall in the B-range, skewing the curve higher than average. In the proposed system, the top fifteen percent of the class will receive an A, regardless of their actual percentage, the next eleven

percent will receive a B, the next twenty percent will receive a C, the next twenty-five, a D and an entire twenty-nine percent will receive an F regardless of their actual percent correct. "In this way, the grade curve will better reflect the way that wages in the real world work," states Gible in defense of his proposal, "It is sad but true that a very small number of people control a very large amount of money, while the majority of people are just struggling to meet a certain standard of living."

This idea has been proposed to the President of the College who has said only that he will "consider it most carefully." But many students who have heard of this idea are outraged. "This is not fair!" says one anonymous

student, "Our grades should be based on our own personal merit, not on how we compare to our fellow students." Whether or not this proposal makes any kind of sense it is already meeting with a large amount of opposition and disapproval. If this idea is accepted it would be set up so that it can go into effect at the beginning of next school year but even if it is not accepted now, it is not completely off the table. One administrator noted that, "It certainly does have some good points, I mean the real world is all about competition. But my problem with it is that while these students may always be in a situation where competition is necessary, it may not necessarily be against each other."

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SPORTS



BOUNTIES Ethan Grodzinski plays his match before injuring the opposing player

GoDutchmen.com

Tennis team employs possible bounty program

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An investigation has been launched at Lebanon Valley College, surfacing around the men's tennis team.

From what it looks like, the New Orleans Saints weren't the only team to have a bounty program in place.

After the men's tennis team romped King's in their St. Patrick's Day match up, many spectators and officials were disgusted by the style of play the men exhibited. There were racquets being thrown, insults being shouted, and even different types of balls being used.

Roger Van Scyoc, a senior tennis player, admitted to these allegations validity.

"Our head coach is a Saints fan, and after hearing what they did to intentionally hurt players for cash rewards, he thought it could be beneficial to our season as well," stated Van Scyoc after a recent match. "We

had a pretty good system going, but all good things must come to an end, right?"

After further investigation, players have admitted to be receiving plenty of accommodations for being apart of this program. Rewards for showing unsporting like conduct include extra credit in general education classes, a cut in tuition, and free subs at the Dutchmen Den.

Head coach Dave Remsburg has been suspended indefinitely. In a statement he released, he said, "I am truly sorry for the players careers and feelings that myself and my players have hurt, and the athletics department will be glad to pay any medical bills."

In their match against King's, doubles partners Ethan Grodzinski and Van Scyoc teamed up to take out their opponents.

"After they scored their first point, I just threw my racquet at them as hard as possible," said Grodzinski. "It hit him right in

the kneecap. It's not something I'd normally do, but I had to do what I had to do."

Van Scyoc also wanted to get in on the action, and did so by using an illegal playing ball.

Midway through the match, Van Scyoc sneakily pulled a golf ball out of his pocket and served it instead of a tennis ball. After nailing his opponent in the forehead, King's was unable to continue and LVC received a forfeited win.

It is uncertain whether Remsburg will return as coach next season, but one thing is for certain: If the New Orleans Saints inspired one college tennis team to have a bounty program, what's their to say other teams don't have one either?

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Annual football game against rival Albright moved to neutral site

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A major announcement has recently been made through a joint press conference by Lebanon Valley College and Albright College's athletic departments. From now until a new determination is made, the annual football games between the institutions will be played at a neutral site. This is as opposed to the alternating home games between the two schools.

The issue to spur this change has been the increasing hostility between the two college's fans at the annual football games. A spokesperson from the athletic department stated, "Every sequential year for some time, hostilities and incidents between our two crowds increased and has now reached an unacceptable level," the spokesperson said. "We are academic institutions that try to promote unity and community, so we (LVC and Albright) both felt that while sacrificing the annual games was going too far, it would be best for all involved if the games were moved to a natural site to tone feelings down."

Recent examples from past games which prompted the neutral site implementation were foul signs from both sides, curses words and explicit chants, shoving matches between rival students, and a beer bottle being broken over a spectators head at last year's game. Officials feared that the current trend would continue until someone required serious medical attention after a brawl and the schools would have to stop the annual game. Also, the fear was that since players many times feed off of the fan atmosphere, the unsportsmanlike qualities in the stands would creep onto the football field.

Unfortunately, this development is not new in the world of sports rivalries. This past year, two crosstown rivals, Xavier and Cincinnati, were involved in a late game brawl where punches and kicks were thrown. That incident resulted in numerous suspensions for players on both teams. The head coach from Cincinnati even remarked if some players would ever return to the team or if even he would have a job in the next impending days. Another infamous moment in sports rivalries is when a Giant's fan was attacked after a game by rival Dodger fans and almost beaten to death. The man went into a coma, and is now currently in physical rehabilitation.

For next year, the annual game will be played at Franklin & Marshall College's football field located in Lancaster. The site is 25 miles (approximately a 48 minute drive) from Lebanon Valley College and 36.5 miles (approximately a 42 minute drive) from Albright College. The site of Franklin and Marshall was chosen since it was arguably the most fair in terms of travel between the two schools. Other historic collegiate rivalries have been played at neutral site stadiums with much success such as Florida-Georgia and Army-Navy. The belief is by both schools is that the rivalry could uphold such a distinction and actually enhance the game from both college's trying to outdo one another by bringing a larger crowd.

The 2013 football game site is still to be determined but hopes are from both colleges is that the site of Franklin and Marshall proves to be a destination to return to in the future.

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NEWS

Student Government Updates 3.26.12

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On March 26, Student Government convened for its ninth meeting of the semester to meet with Vice-President Greg Krikorian about campus issues and updates, vote on full club status for French Club and probationary club status for Paintball Club, and discuss plans for the storefront of Annville, nominations for SG elections, the Middle States Re-Accreditation Board results, issues with the sidewalk near Neidig-Garber, and Cystic Fibrosis sign-ups.

Vice-President Krikorian began the meeting by congratulating SG for this work during Dutchman Day, and SG President Ryan Humphries says that he will be available to talk to students who raised concerns about the scheduling of Dutchman Day. Krikorian also asked SG members to

review the pilot program for special parking for student teachers and interns to decide whether to renew it in the fall.

Krikorian said that he and Facilities would need to raise extra funds to add lights to the new Astroturf field outside Mund. Krikorian and SG members also discussed the possibility of installing new tennis courts and an outdoor basketball court.

French Club presented for full club status at Monday's meeting, and SG granted them full club status. Paintball Club presented for probationary club status, and SG granted them probationary club status.

Humphries mentioned that LVC is currently helping Annville Township to renovate the storefront of Annville with shops and boutiques through a five-year grant.

SG Advisor Jen Evans said that a table for nominations for SG

elections will be set up in Mund for lunch and dinner today and Thursday and for lunch Friday. SG Advisor Todd Snovel also said that the Middle States Re-Accreditation Board had completed its survey of LVC, and made some suggestions for improvement in some areas that were reviewed.

SG's service project with HAC's SG, the matinee of The Princess Bride at the Allen Theater on April 28th, will take place at 11:30 a.m. instead of 1:30 p.m.

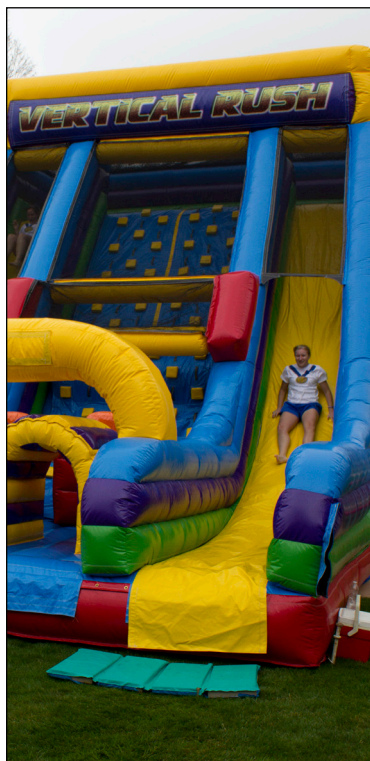
Accessibility Task Force Chair Roberto Valdes said that he would discuss a concern about the sidewalk near Neidig-Garber with Senior Director of Facilities Management Donald Santostefano.

The sign-ups for Cystic Fibrosis began in the Mund lobby Monday and will continue for the rest of this week and into next week.

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Rosemary & Justin